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Mr. Karl Wasson and Trustees
Edwin H. Eddy Foundation
Wells Fargo Trust Department
222 West Superior Street
Duluth, MN 55802

Dear Mr. Wasson and Trustees,

I am very happy to write a letter of support for the enclosed application for Eddy Foundation funding in the amount of \$19,266.19 being submitted by the Special Services Department of the Duluth Public Schools, on behalf of the district's nineteen speech/language pathologists.

I meet regularly with this professional group and can support that the needs outlined in the request for funds are accurate and have been carefully considered by the group of speech/language pathologists. These dedicated professionals serve a wide age range of children and youth with significant communication disorders with many of them traveling to different school, home, or community sites to provide services.

Given the district's budget limitations, each speech pathologist receives approximately \$150 per year for supplies. The funding provided through the Eddy Foundation in the past has been used to support direct services to children and youth and has been appreciated very much. Your ongoing support for this department and children in this district has been a valued asset.

Thank you for considering this request.

Sincerely,

Marci L. Hoff, M.A.
Director of Special Services

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